



## Compact Goal

El Salvador's Program is expected to play a key role in the transformation of the northern region of the country by: (i) significantly increasing the number of households with access to basic services such as water, sanitation and electricity; (ii) improving community infrastructure to facilitate greater access to health and education facilities as well to jobs and markets; (iii) spurring new investment in value-added production chains to increase productivity and competitiveness of local and national businesses; (iv) increasing the number of local people with the necessary skills to drive a growing and diversified economy; and (v) providing modern connectivity to local and regional producers with national, regional and global markets via the northern transnational highway and proposed network of complementary feeder roads.

## Update on Progress

- Fondo del Milenio (FOMILENIO), the governmental entity responsible for the oversight and implementation of the program, was established by legislative decree in January 2007.
- The Board of Directors of FOMILENIO was confirmed in March. The Board includes four Government of El Salvador representatives, one private sector representative and two non-governmental organization representatives.
- On May 1, following an open and competitive selection process, Juan Jose Lloret and Carmen Regina de Arévalo assumed responsibilities as Executive Director and Deputy Executive Director, respectively, of FOMILENIO.
- FOMILENIO's Advisory Council has been fully formed and approved by the FOMILENIO Board of Directors. The Advisory Council is made up of the following members: 5 Commissioners of the National Development Commission, 3 Mayors from the Northern Zone (plus 3 alternate Mayors), and 1 civil society representative from the Northern Zone (and alternate).
- FOMILENIO selected a contractor to provide services under the Productive Development component of the program. For more information please visit [www.mca.gob.sv](http://www.mca.gob.sv)
- The Compact entered-into-force on September 20, 2007. This marks the start of the 5-year Compact term and authorizes the disbursement of compact funds to FOMILENIO.

*"...This is a country project for which we have waited half a century. Connecting the North with the rest of the country is the trigger for progress in this zone, which, for years has been isolated."*

—President  
*Elías Antonio Saca*  
President of El Salvador

\*World Development Indicators, World Bank, 2005

## Compact Status

Status..... Compact Signed

### Compact Information

Total Amount.....\$461 million

Duration .....5 years

Compact Signed .....11-29-2006

### Country Information

Population .....6,880, 951\*

GNI Per Capita..... \$2,450\*

### Program Components in millions

